

Funny Books

Ages 4 - 7

Backward Day by Ruth Krauss

Suppose you put on your shoes and then your socks and sat at your parent's chair.

Bark, George by Jules Feiffer

George doesn't bark - he meows, or quacks, or moos. What could the cause be? Can the vet get George barking? With a surprise ending, George does get the last laugh.

Duck on a Bike by David Shannon.

It's true! Duck can ride a bike. What will be the reaction of the other animals in the barnyard?

Earthquack! by Margie Palatini

The ground grumbles, the ground rumbles - no the sky isn't falling in this variant on *Henny Penny*. Instead, panic spreads from one animal to another over a possible earthquake.

Froggy Plays Soccer by Jonathan London

Just don't use your hands - easier said than done for Froggy as he joins the Dream Team for the big game against the Wild Things.

The Great Pig Search by Eileen Christelow

Bert and Ethel wonder where to look for the pigs that escaped from their Vermont farm until they get a postcard from Florida with the message "Oink" on it. Off they go on the great pig search.

Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss

Sam-I -am wants you to just try green eggs and ham. Pretty please.

Harry in Trouble by Barbara Ann Porte

Harry has lost his FOURTH library card. What will the librarian do?

I Know an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Pie by Alison Jackson

Be sure you're not eating when you read it - the pictures might just make you squirt milk out of your nose!

I Stink! by Kate McMullan

What would it be like to be a garbage truck and devour an alphabet of trash? Gross, but "Without me? You're on Mount Trash-o-rama, baby"

Juan Bobo Goes to Work by Marisa Montes

Juan Bobo has trouble getting the payment for each job home. In the end, he succeeds in making the rich man's daughter (and readers) laugh and is well rewarded.

"Let's Get A Pup," Said Kate by Bob Graham

One thing leads to another and the pictures tell more than the words for this hip family.

The Man Who Didn't Wash the Dishes by Phyllis Krasilovsky

Once all the dishes get dirty, this man starts using flower pots and soap dishes.

Mice and Beans by Pam Munoz Ryan

Rosa Maria prepares for days for her granddaughter's birthday party, trying to trap the mice who might eat all the food. But when she forgets to fill the piñata, it is the mice who secretly save the day.

Milo's Hat Trick by Jon Agee

Milo the Magician needs a spectacular new trick and turns to a bear to rescue his failing show.

My Little Sister Ate One Hare by Bill Grossman

This unusual counting book will leave you laughing out loud.

Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathmann

Gloria, the police dog, makes Officer Buckle's safety talks a success, but he doesn't know why until one day...

Parts by Tedd Arnold

Is he falling apart? Hair is coming out, fuzz is leaking out his belly button, a tooth is loose.

Pete's a Pizza by William Steig

A boring, rainy day turns into a tickling, giggling feast.

Robert the Rose Horse by Joan Heilbroner

Oh, no. Roses make Robert sneeze...a horse sized sneeze.

Tops and Bottoms by Janet Stevens

A traditional Southern folktale provides a hilarious lesson about work, ingenuity, and resourcefulness.

Ages 7 - 9

Amelia Bedelia by Peggy Parrish

This bumbling but lovable housekeeper does EXACTLY what she is told to do. Why does that always get her in trouble?

The Adventures of Captain Underpants by Dav Pilkey

Pranksters George and Harold hypnotize the principal into playing the superhero of their own comic book.

Falling Up by Shel Silverstein

More poems with zany folks and giggles galore.

The Frog Prince Continued by Jon Scieszka

Did the frog-turned-back-to-prince live happily ever after with the princess who kissed him?

The Frogs Wore Red Suspenders by Jack Prelutsky

Poems with people such as "Granny Gooding who fell into a vat of pudding."

The Giggler Treatment by Roddy Doyle

Gigglers are little creatures who can hide and spend their time getting even in disgusting ways with adults who punish children.

Gooney Bird Greene by Lois Lowry

Gooney Bird arrives in her new second grade class each day with another wild outfit and amazing story. Her tips can actually help other kids to create stories from their daily lives.

The Happy Hocky Family by Lane Smith

Life was never so unhappy, or so funny, for Dick and Jane.

Hog-Eye by Susan Meddaugh

Will it be the hog-eye curse that helps this young pig escape from a hungry wolf?

Horrible Harry and the Dungeon by Suzy Kline

Harry is class clown, but this time he gets in trouble on purpose. He wants to investigate a mysterious bag Mr. Skooghammer, the Suspension Room monitor is carrying.

Judy Moody Was in a Mood. Not a Good Mood. A Bad Mood. by Megan McDonald

Judy starts school in a bad mood. She even has Grouchy pencils. Sitting next to Frank the paste-eater doesn't help. Will things get better when they have to make a Me collage for school?

Junie B, First Grader (at last!) by Barbara Park

A new teacher is hard enough, but Junie B. has to face first grade without her old friends. Spunky Junie will find a way.

Knights of the Kitchen Table by Jon Scieszka

The Time Warp Trio use riddles and baseball to overcome disgusting giants and suspicious magicians in King Arthur's time.

The Know-Nothings by Michele Sobel Spirn (illustrated by R.W. Alley)

You probably know how to eat a banana – Morris, Norris, Doris and Boris don't!

Lizzie Logan, Second Banana by Eileen Spinelli

Lizzie tries to show her step-father how great she is by entering the "Little Miss Seafood" pageant.

Ramona the Brave by Beverly Cleary

Will Ramona survive age six? Only if she can be brave!

Raising Sweetness by Diane Stanley

Rising and shining with homespun humor, Sweetness finds Pa a wife after he feeds his brood of eight too many servings of his favorite pickle and banana pie.

Starring Grace by Mary Hoffman

Grace and her "gang of four" never run out of ideas for having fun over summer vacation.

The Stinky Cheese Man and Other Fairly Stupid Tales by Jon Scieszka

Familiar fairy tales dressed in unfamiliar clothing.

The Stupids Step Out by Harry Allard

Could anyone do such ridiculous things? This family does all the time.

There Is a Carrot in My Ear, and Other Noodle Tales by Alvin Schwartz

Six stories about the silliest family in the world - maybe sillier than the Stupids.

Ages 9 - 11

Amber Brown Is Not a Crayon by Paula Danziger

Life isn't easy when your best friend moves away.

Be a Perfect Person in Just Three Days by Stephen Manes

Life would be perfect if Milo could become a perfect person.

Bing Bang Boing by Douglas Florian

Poems - silly, gross, witty, zany, maybe one for you.

A Book of Coupons by Susie Morgenstern

Monsieur Noël welcomes his fifth grade class with permission slips for such unlikely activities as sleeping late, forgetting homework, and making lots of noise, which gets him into trouble with a sour principal.

Double Fudge by Judy Blume

As Peter Hatcher enters 7th grade, he finds his 5 year old brother Fudge's obsession with money embarrassing. Then the Howie Hatchers of Honolulu, Hawaii arrive and life just gets wackier.

Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine

Thanks to a blundering fairy, Ella is cursed by a spell which makes her obey every order she is given, no matter what. Can this Cinderella live happily ever after?

Everything on a Waffle by Polly Horvath

Primrose's story combines quirky characters, recipes, and amazing twists of plot in a striking combination of the barely credible and profoundly true.

Gloria's Way by Ann Cameron

Life is full of surprises and delights for Gloria.

Go Hang a Salami! I'm a Lasagna Hog!: And Other Palindromes by Jon Agee

Can you guess from looking at this book title what a palindrome is?

How to Eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell

Would you? Could you? Billy wants to win the bet, but...ick!

Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key by Jack Gantos

Joey is a wired, wound-up, hyperactive, ADHD kid. Before he can get help to make good decisions, everything he does seems to turn into trouble.

A Light in the Attic by Shel Silverstein

Poems to tickle your funny bone.

Matilda by Roald Dahl

Matilda takes on the mean principal Miss Trunchbull. Practical jokes and magic tricks may not be enough.

Miss Alaineus: A Vocabulary Disaster by Debra Frasier

A vocabulary disaster turns into an embarrassment for 5th grader Sage. . . but read how she turns this catastrophe into a marvelous triumph! Be ready to laugh.

Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard and Florence Atwater

Is it enough to put a pool in the basement and an ice rink in the house?
What happens when you take your penguins to stay at a hotel?

My Life as a Fifth-Grade Comedian by Elizabeth Levy

Ezra is coping with family problems and trying to get homework done instead of telling jokes all the time, but as class clown he is put in charge of organizing a school Laugh-Off.

No More Dead Dogs by Gordon Korman

Wallace Wallace has had it with novels in which the dog dies at the end. His detention for expressing his views, is to report to the drama production instead of the football field. Will the dog in the play die?

101 Ways to Bug Your Parents by Lee Wardlaw

Sneeze takes revenge on his parents for ruining his summer plans by writing a book sure to be popular with all his friends.

Roald Dahl's Revolting Recipes by Roald Dahl

How about soil with engine oil for lunch!

Seven Spiders Spinning by Gregory McGuire

Seven prehistoric spiders trapped in ice for thousands of years defrost in rural Vermont and briefly unite two rival clubs at a local elementary school.

Skinnybones by Barbara Park

Alex knows how to use his sense of humor to cope with life's ups and downs.

There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom by Louis Sachar

Bradley is an outcast, but in fifth grade that just might change.

The Watsons Go to Birmingham - 1963 by Christopher Paul Curtis

A family story, both comic and moving, touches on the frightening times of the early civil rights movement.

Wayside School Is Falling Down by Louis Sachar

A school with only one classroom on each floor? That's not the only wacky thing going on in each book in this series.